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STATE CONTRACTORS BOARD TAKES DISCIPLINARY ACTION AGAINST FOURTEEN CONTRACTORS

LAS VEGAS, NV – At its meeting on November 20, 2001, the Nevada State

Contractors Board adjudicated cases against fourteen licensed contractors.

Keith Maris Paint and Drywall, license number 28526 (Painting and Decorating) based out of Las Vegas, Nevada was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to pay for materials or services; willful disregard for state labor laws; failure to cooperate in the investigation of a complaint; and failure to comply with the Board's request for records. A one-year letter of reprimand was placed in licensee's file, licensee was fined \$3,000 and assessed the cost of investigation.

Vinzant's Plastering Inc., license number 19548 (Lathing and Plastering) based out of Las Vegas, Nevada was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for substandard workmanship; failure to comply with a notice to correct; failure to comply with the requirements of the pool regulations. The licensee was fined \$2,000, assessed the cost of investigation and a permanent letter of reprimand was placed in licensee's file.

Laskowski Construction Co., license number 48872 (Residential and Small Commercial) based out of Pahrump, Nevada was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for substandard workmanship and failure to include license number and monetary limit on a contract or proposal. A one-year letter of reprimand was placed in licensee's file and licensee was assessed the cost of investigation.

Granite Inc. d.b.a. Granite Options Etc., license number 41889 (Terrazzo & Marble Installation) based out of Las Vegas, Nevada was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for substandard workmanship; acting in the capacity of a contractor under a

name other than that on the license; and failure to include license number and monetary limit on a contract or proposal. The licensee was assessed the cost of investigation.

Coopcon Inc. dba Paradise Carpets, license number 41549 (Floor Coverings /Plastic Tile and Wallboard/ Carpet) based out of Las Vegas, Nevada was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for willful disregard for the safety or labor laws of the state; and failure to cooperate in the investigation of a complaint. The license of Coopcon Inc. dba Paradise Carpets was suspended pending corrective action.

Chlorine Free Swimming, Inc., license number 44319 (Maintenance and Repair of Pools and Spas) based out of Las Vegas, Nevada was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for substandard workmanship; failure to comply with a notice to correct; failure to comply with the terms of a construction contract or written warranty; failure to comply with the requirements of the pool regulations; failure to include license number and monetary limit on a contract or proposal; advertising without displaying a license number; and acting in the capacity of a contractor under a name other than that on the license. The Board revoked the license of Chlorine Free Swimming, Inc.

Able Iron, license number 22035 (Ornamental Iron/Awnings) based out of Las Vegas, Nevada was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for substandard workmanship; failure to comply with a notice to correct; failure to establish financial responsibility; failure to report to the Board a change of address or personnel; and failure to keep in force a bond or cash deposit. The Board revoked the license of Able Iron.

Master Plumbing and Mechanical, license number 13954 (Plumbing and Heating) based out of Las Vegas, Nevada was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for failure to pay for materials or services; failure to establish financial responsibility; and failure to report to the Board a change in address or personnel. The Board revoked the license of Master Plumbing and Mechanical.

Gialdos Carpentry Shop Inc., license number 45795 (Cabinet and Millwork) based out of Las Vegas Nevada was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for abandonment of a construction project; failure to cooperate in the investigation of a complaint; failure to include license number and monetary limit on a contract or proposal; acting in the capacity of a contractor under a name other than that on the license; failure to keep in force a bond or cash deposit; and failure to report to the Board a change in address or personnel. The Board revoked the license of Gialdos Carpentry Shop, Inc.

G & M Concrete Inc., license number 45120 (Concrete Contracting) based out of Henderson, Nevada was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for substandard workmanship; failure to comply with a notice to correct; failure to cooperate in the investigation of a complaint; and failure to include license and monetary limit on a contract or proposal. The Board revoked the license of G & M Concrete Inc.

Gary G. Kellershon Enterprises, license number 49220 (Carpentry) based out of Pahrump, Nevada was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for substandard workmanship; failure to cooperate in the investigation of a complaint; failure to comply with a notice to correct; failure to include license number and monetary limit on a contract or proposal; failure to keep in force a bond or cash deposit; and failure to report to the Board a change in address or personnel. The Board revoked the license of Gary G. Kellershon Enterprises.

Camilles Warren Lindell, Jr. dba Tri State Restoration, license 43904 (Residential and Small Commercial) based out of Lake Havasu City, Arizona was found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for contracting beyond the scope of a license; bidding in excess of established monetary limit; failure to cooperate in the investigation of a complaint; failure to establish financial responsibility; failure to include license number and monetary limit on a contract or proposal; failure to keep in force a bond or cash deposit; and failure to report to the Board a change of address or personnel. The Board revoked the license of Camilles Warren Lindell, Jr. dba Tri State Restoration.

Mattson Builders Inc. dba Nevada Spray Foam, license number 45132 (Install Urethane) and 40389 (Roofing) and Mattson Builders Inc., license number 33180A (Residential and Small Commercial) based out of Henderson, Nevada were found in violation of Nevada Revised Statute 624 for substandard workmanship; failure to cooperate in the investigation of a complaint; failure to comply with a notice to correct; failure to comply with the terms of a contract or written warranty; failure to include license number and monetary limit on a contract or proposal; failure to keep in force a bond or cash deposit; and failure to report to the Board a change in address or personnel. The Board revoked the licenses of Mattson Builders Inc dba Nevada Spray Foam and Mattson Builders Inc.

The Nevada State Contractors Board offers the following helpful tips for consumers when dealing with contractors:

10 TIPS FOR MAKING SURE YOUR CONTRACTOR IS ON THE LEVEL

- 1. Hire only licensed contractors.
- 2. Check the contractor's license number by calling 1-702-486-1100 in southern Nevada or 1-775-688-1141 in northern Nevada or doing a <u>License Check</u> by visiting our website at: <u>www.state.nv.us/nscb/</u>.
- 3. Get three references, and review past work.
- 4. Get at least three bids.
- 5. Get a written contract and do not sign anything until you completely understand the terms.
- 6. Pay 10% down or \$1000, whichever is less if a deposit is required.
- 7. Don't let payments get ahead of work. Keep records of payments.
- 8. Don't make the final payment until you're satisfied with the job.

9. Don't pay cash.

10. Keep a job file of all papers relating to your project.

The Nevada State Contractors' Board is committed to protecting the public's health, safety, and welfare through licensing and regulation of the construction industry. Under Nevada Revised Statutes, a licensee is subject to disciplinary action by the Board for failure to comply with the requirements of the laws or regulations governing contractors. Violations may result in Board action against the contractor's license. The State Contractors' Board has the power to regulate contractors and discipline licensees who violate NRS 624. Disciplinary action may consist of a fine of up to \$10,000 per offense, order corrective action, suspension, revocation or other action.

The Board will convene next in Reno, NV on December 4, 2001.